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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

may continue. See Instruction

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Rainie Shepard D

(First)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

Issuer

BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP

(Check all applicable)

Executive Vice President

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

INC [BHLB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

07/01/2009

Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP, INC., 24 NORTH STREET

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

below)

PITTSFIELD, MA 01201

(City)	(State) ((Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	07/01/2009		F	161	D	\$ 21.35	3,294 (6)	D		
Common Stock							1,063	I	By Stock Award IV	
Common Stock							1,276	I	By Stock Award V	
Common							593	I	By Stock	

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Stock			Award (1)
Common Stock	500 (6)	I	By Stock Award II
Common Stock	2,094	I	By Stock Award III

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (Instr.	ection 8)	5. nNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	int of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code	V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Rainie Shepard D C/O BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP, INC. 24 NORTH STREET PITTSFIELD, MA 01201

Executive Vice President

Signatures

/s/ Shepard D.

Rainie 07/06/2009

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2003 Equity Compensation Plan vest in three equal installments commencing on January 30, 2008.
- Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2003 Equity Compensation Plan vest in three equal installments commencing on July 1, 2008.
- Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2003 Equity Compensation Plan vest in three equal installments commencing on January 30, 2009.
- Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2008 Equity Compensation Plan vest in three equal installments commencing on January 30, 2010.
- (5) Stock Awards granted pursuan tto the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2008 Equity Compensation Plan vest on January 30, 2010.
- (6) Since the reporting person's last report 500 shares previously held through Stock Award II have vested and are not owned directly.

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